BLM Bishop Field Office

Comments submitted by the Off-Highway Motor Vehicle Recreation (OHMVR) Division to individual grant applicants should in no way be construed as a guarantee of successful results for the applicant within the competitive grants process or a commitment of funding. Additionally, the lack of comments by the OHMVR Division to any specific applicant does not ensure successful results for the applicant within the competitive grant process or a commitment of funding.

All final applications will be reviewed by the OHMVR Division. The OHMVR Division may, at its sole discretion, decrease the requested amount and eliminate activities pursuant with regulation Section 4970.07.2 (f)(1-5) and for law enforcement projects, regulation Section 4970.15.3(b)(1-5).

Failure by Applicant to respond to any OHMVR Division comment of their preliminary application shall be cause for eliminating that item from the Applicant's application.

If multiple proposed projects are requesting funding for the same deliverable, and multiple projects are successful, only one project will receive funding for the deliverable.

For proposed projects requesting grant funding for snow and/or winter activities. Applicants must ensure the activities and/or equipment requested are not and/or cannot be funded by the OHMVR Division Winter Program (commonly referred to as the Snow Grooming Program).

For proposed projects requesting grant funding for the maintenance of roads and/or trails, note that only roads and/or trails that allow "green sticker" off-highway vehicles are allowed to receive grant funding. Additionally, Applicants may not charge a use fee for vehicles and/or Equipment purchased with OHV Trust Funds, except for fuel and minor maintenance cost.

Applicants are reminded that no grant funds and/or match can be expended or project activities conducted in any land owned or managed by the California Department of Parks and Recreation.

General Evaluation Criteria

- #2 #5, Applicant must verify response by final submission.
- #7c Applicant must provide a narrative to support its selection. Applicant used the same response as #7b.
- #9b Narrative does not support the selection. Applicant must provide additional detail.
- #11b Narrative does not support the selection. Applicant must identify the specific, Applicant and/or Land Manager initiated, educational events to support selection.
- #12a Applicant must provide a more specific URL address where OHV related items are listed for the Applicant.
- #13 Applicant must verify response by final submission.

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Project Description	

• C. Applicant must describe the type of proposed improvements at Alabama Hills entrance station and clarify if this is part of the Project.

Project Cost Estimate

- Contracts Line items #1 through #8, there are several issues that need addressing:
 - Applicant must explain if the costs for the contracted vehicles includes labor to operate the equipment.
 - If these are vehicle rental agreements only, then Applicant must move items to the Equipment Use Cost Category.
- Contracts "Laborer", Applicant must provide more details for what this job entails including if this position is contracted to operate the other "contracted" equipment.
- Materials/Supplies "Personal Protective Equipment", worn PPE (e.g. helmets, goggles, etc.) is eligible as a direct cost; however, items such as sunblock are indirect and must be moved to the Indirect Cost Category

Evaluation Criteria

- #4 Narrative does not support "stakeholders..." Applicant must explain what the stakeholders' stakes are to this specific project.
- #7 Project description does not support the "Barrier materials..." selection.

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Needs Assessment

No Comment

Law Enforcement Certification

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Project Cost Estimate

 Staff – "Natural Resources Specialist (Rec)". "...The NRS will prepare field reports, ensure project costs are within budget, purchase materials and supplies and update management information systems...", these are administrative duties. Applicant must remove these duties from this line item and adjust its requested expenses for the Natural Resources Specialist (Rec).